

**Proposed Recipient:** Georgia Southern "A Rural Health Strategic Planning Project"

**Address of Recipient:** P.O. Box 8158, Statesboro, GA, 30460

**Amount of Request:** \$412,679

**Explanation of Request**

**Purpose:** To develop a community-driven strategic planning effort (Mobilizing through Planning and Partnership- MAPP) for the purposes of improving the health status of rural communities within Georgia.

**Why is it a good use of Taxpayer funds:** Rural health disparities are a national problem, which the federal government has assumed responsibility of addressing through various "safety net" programs. The Rural Public Health research performed by Georgia Southern will serve a federal purpose by isolating and indentifying the chronic conditions and illnesses prevalent in a rural environment in order to develop targeted solutions.